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To the

Director of Agricultural Extension Service, the
State Leader of Home Economics Extension Service,
the Assistant Director of Extension Service in
Arizona, and members of the Greenlee Homemaker's
Council:

The following is a supplementary report of Home Economics
Adult Extension work in Greenlee County from August 20,
1954 to November 30, 1954 and a summary of 4-H Club work
in Greenlee County from December 1, 1953 to November 30,
1954. It is as accurate as I have been able to make it
at this time.

Respectively submitted



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SUMMARY

October 1, 1954 to November 30, 1954

EXTENSION ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING

The new home demonstration agent served in Graham and Greenlee Counties during October and November.

The County Homemaker's Council held their bi-annual meeting in September. Officers for the coming year were elected.

The home demonstration spent:

4 1/2 days in the Greenlee Office in conference with the county agent and working with committees, and office secretary.

4 3/4 days in organizing the program and lesson plans and in giving assistance to homemakers. This work was done from the Graham County Office for this county.

8 3/4 days in the central part of the county assisting homemakers through the extension clubs, one garden club, and one 4-H club.

PROGRAM PLANNING

The County Council selected lessons and activities they and their club members would like in 1955 at their bi-annual meeting. These selections were made under the guidance of State Leader of Home Economics Extension.

2 representatives of the Greenlee and 2 from the Graham County Councils met with the state leader and home demonstration agent and completed the selection and plans for the 1955 program.

The home demonstration agent kept a record of interests and needs to be used in setting up lesson and activity content throughout the year. She arranged the lesson materials and sent requests for specialist assistance to the state leader.

INFORMATION PROGRAM

The home demonstration agent prepared 6 columns for the county Copper Era newspaper. Information of value to homemakers and news items of interest were included. Homemakers have made use of this information and want the column continued. Requests for bulletins referred to have been made.

Homemakers have been listening to the radio program given by the home demonstration agent over the Graham County Station. Additional information was given in these talks.

PROJECTS

Food Preservation and Storage

The home demonstration agent gave the lesson "Making Your Freezer Work For You" to 48 members of the 4 Homemakers Clubs during 3 meetings. Information on principles of freezing, wrapping materials, methods of preparing, freezing, and storing were discussed. Illustrative materials were used. During a laboratory period the homemakers had an opportunity to prepare a few foods for freezing. Thus, the ladies have a better understanding of freezing principles and methods and uses that can be made of their freezers.

Food Selection and Preparation

The home demonstration agent included information on selection, preparation, serving, and buying foods in her newspaper column and radio talks.

3 homemakers planned and supervised the foods exhibits during the county fair.

Safety

The home demonstration agent included material on home safety in one of her weekly newspaper columns.

Clothing

The Clothing Specialist conducted a series of 4 leader training meetings for making Better Dresses. 14 leaders selected patterns and materials and made dresses for better wear. These leaders are giving training and assistance to other homemakers in their clubs and communities. The home demonstration agent assisted with the last two sessions which were held after she came to the county.

4 homemakers planned for and supervised the clothing and household arts exhibits at the county fair. The home demonstration agent gave assistance with the arranging of the exhibits entered by homemakers in the county.

Information on points considered by the judge of the fair exhibits was included in the weekly column by the home demonstration agent. Homemakers clipped this information for future use. Information on temperatures for ironing the "new" laboratory fibers were also included in the column.

The home demonstration agent discussed guides for selecting well-designed clothes for 13 members of the Morenci Garden Club.

4-H CLUB WORK

Clubs were organized in the fall of 1953 and carried on work throughout the year under the direction of 11 adult and 13 junior leaders.

Each club planned their program early in the club year.

64 girls and 10 boys in 4 clubs were enrolled in 100 home economics projects. This work was supervised by six women and seven girls.

23 of the 43 girls enrolled completed 88 articles and 92 garments in clothing projects.

14 of the 29 members enrolled (4 of the 10 boys and 10 of the 19 girls) completed their foods projects. 287 products and 89 meals were prepared and served.

2 of the 3 girls enrolled prepared 50 pounds and 30 quarts for freezing.

17 girls made 43 articles and improved 6 rooms in room improvement.

54 boys and 5 girls were enrolled in 106 agriculture projects under the direction of 5 men, and one girl and 6 boys as junior leaders.

3 training meetings were held - 1 for 4-H Club officers, 1 for junior leaders, and 1 for clothing leaders.

A county organization of 4-H adult and junior leaders was completed.

Club members and leaders participated in county activities - 1 picnic party, 1 recreational achievement meeting, observance of National 4-H Week and National 4-H Sunday.

Contests and training meetings were held for selection and training of the members going to the State 4-H Round-up.

6 clubs participated in community service activities.

Projects were exhibited at the county fair.

12 girls and 19 boys participated in activities at the State Round-up.

3 junior leaders attended the State Leaders' Conference.

3 boys and 2 girls attended the 4-H Camp.

Entries were made in the Arizona State Fair.

1 boy was awarded a trip to the National 4-H Congress.

OUTLOOK and RECOMMENDATIONS

The home economics extension work and program is advancing forward through: -

- (a) the increase in interest in improved homemaking,
- (b) more experienced leaders,
- (c) a program which meets the needs and interests of homemakers,
- (d) continued assistance by the home demonstration agent, and
- (e) cooperation and support by newspaper men, radio managers, and business men.

Effort should continue to make extension services - home demonstration agent, bulletins, specialists, training meetings, individual help - available to all who desire assistance.

Effort should continue to develop leadership and efficiency of the people in the county.

GREENLEE COUNTY

Home Economics Extension Service

Supplementary Narrative Report

I. SITUATION IN THE COUNTY

Given in the Home Demonstration Agent's Report for December 1, 1953 to August 15, 1954.

II. EXTENSION ORGANIZATION and PLANNING - Adult

Personnel Changes

Greenlee County was without a home demonstration agent from August 20 to October 1, 1954.

Mildred O. Eaton started work as home demonstration agent October 1, 1954.

County Council Meeting

The County Council held their fall bi-annual meeting in September. Reports were made by the secretary and treasurer. New officers were elected as follows:

President	Mrs. Jean O. Jones, Morenci
Vice President	Mrs. Irene Estes, Clifton
Secretary	Mrs. Ruby Sanders, York
Treasurer	Mrs. Toni O'Hanlon, Plantsite
Reporter	Yolande Alvarado, Clifton

The president of each extension club will serve on the County Council for the coming year. These will change in January after the clubs elect new officers.

Assistance From State Leader

Miss Jean Stewart, State Leader of Home Economics Extension Service, University of Arizona, met with the County Council and assisted them in discussing plans for the coming year.

Miss Stewart met one afternoon in conference with the Greenlee County Agent, office secretary, and the new home demonstration agent. Plans for the work in Greenlee County were discussed.

Work of the Home Demonstration Agent

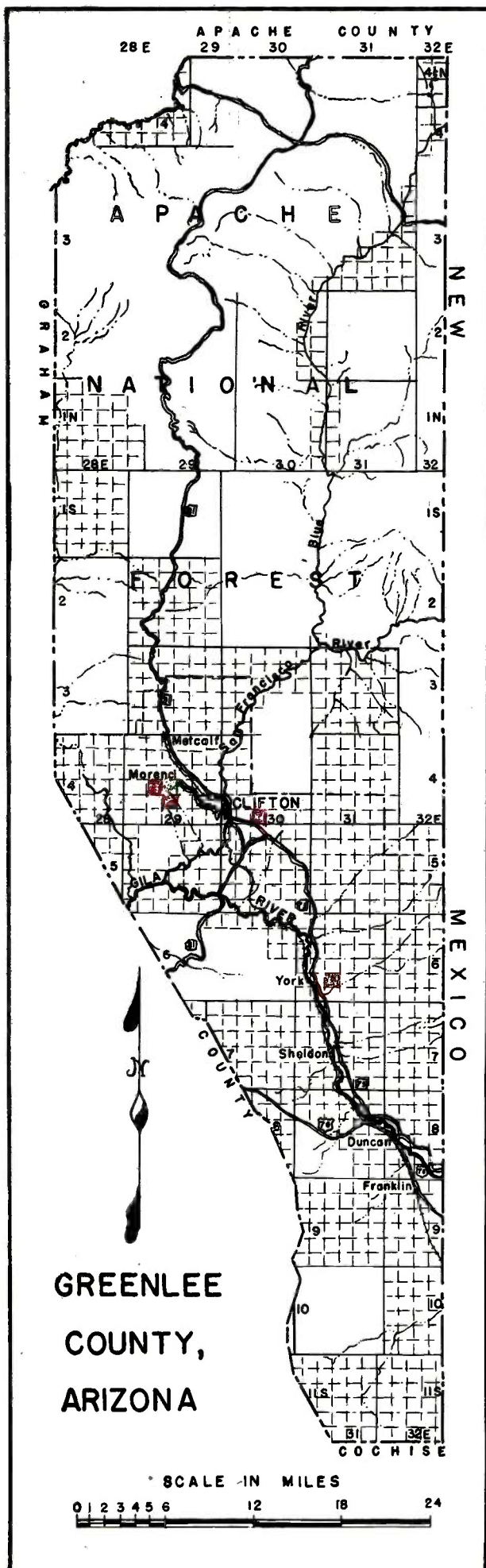
The home demonstration agent spent four and a half days in the Greenlee County Extension Office in conference with the county agent, attending committee meetings for planning next year's county fair and 4-H activities, in organizing records and bulletins, and planning work with the office secretary.



COUNTY ORGANIZATION OF HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK

County	Number of Communities Carrying Adult Work	Homemaker Clubs		L.D.S.* Groups		Farm Bureau		Other		L-H	
		No. Enrollment		No. Enrollment		No. Enrollment		No. Enrollment		Enrollment of Girls	
Apache											
Cochise										1	
Cocouino											
Gila											
Graham	3	3	38	4	85-	0		1	20	6	37
Greenlee	4	4	76	2	66	0		1	16	4	64 girls, 10 boys
Maricopa											
Navajo**											
Pima											
Pinal											
Santa Cruz											
Yavapai											
Yuma											
TOTALS	7	7	114	6	151	0		2	36	10	101 girls, 10 boys

*Latter Day Saints Relief Societies.

**Includes U.S. Indian Service and LDS Relief Societies which cooperate.



-  Homemaker Club
-  Morenci Garden Club

Work of Office Secretary

The office secretary ordered and distributed bulletins and other reference materials needed and requested by homemakers and 4-H Club members. She made copies of the Supplementary Annual Narrative and Statistical Reports and kept the Home Demonstration Agent informed on needs, activities, and calls when she was at the Graham County Office.

III. PROGRAM PLANNING

Council Meeting

The County Council met in September to plan the program for 1955. Miss Jean Stewart, State Leader of Home Economics Extension Service, guided the discussion and assisted the ladies in selecting lessons and activities of value to the majority of the homemakers. Interests and needs of all club members were considered in making the selections. Since the program for the year is the same in both Greenlee and Graham Counties, three ladies were appointed to meet with the representatives of Graham County Council to make the final selection for lessons and activities for 1955.

A copy of the program selected by the County Council is enclosed.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE HOMEMAKERS' PROGRAM

FOR 1955

September 8, 9, 1954

A committee of homemakers from each council will meet in October to recommend the bi-county program.

FOODS AND NUTRITION

Graham County

1. We would like to have a variety of menus for breakfast, dinner, and supper for several weeks; also shopping lists for each week
2. Proper methods of cooking for good nutrition; pressure saucepan, waterless or other cooking methods

Greenlee County

1. One dish meals and salads
2. Meals for the entire family (low in calories)

Problems recognized by one or both counties were:

Homemakers are busy people - they would like to learn how to cut down the time necessary for meal preparation

Good nutrition must be planned

4-H club members are not eating adequate diets - the record of foods eaten for a week show that milk is often less than 1 pint, let alone a quart, foods are poorly selected, breakfasts are inadequate

Homemakers want new ways of doing things

Getting the family to eat the right food - bringing about acceptance of certain foods ; this is a family problem, not just the children alone

Food needs for various ages and pregnancy

Need for better breakfasts

Gaining skill in bread making

CLOTHING

Graham County

1. Self styling and decorative details and finishes
2. New ideas for making Christmas gifts
3. Learning new fabrics and how to care for them

Cleaning and adjusting sewing machines

(2 and 3 were tied and on a revote 2 had the majority vote)

Greenlee County

1. Individual styling (including accessories, hats, shoes, purses, undergarments)
2. Finishes and decorative stitches and trims

Problems recognized by one or both counties were:

Children's clothing - what to make, what to buy; shoes

How to select the style best for the individual

Construction techniques

number of homemakers without sewing skills

HOME MANAGEMENT

Graham County

1. Legal points of family relations that every family should know
2. Refinishing furniture
3. How to set up a simple bookkeeping system

Greenlee County

1. Follow up on laundry, dampening, ironing, and folding
2. Home accessories, shadow boxes, etc.

Problems recognized by one or both counties:

The need for the wife to be familiar with her husband's
business and to know her legal status

Laundry is a daily task, how to apply good management principles
to this task

Many walls have been repainted with various types of paints;
how do you prepare old walls for painting

The housewife has many inefficient tools

HEALTH AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Graham County

1. Cancer films
2. First aid or home nursing

Greenlee County

1. Control of bleeding
2. Care of burns

Problems recognized by one or both counties:

Knowledge of career is needed by both men and women
The Homemakers' Council should sponsor the county wide
showing of cancer films at meetings where both men and
women are present

Home nursing and first aid are skills needed for daily
living as well as in emergency

How to replace coke machines iwth milk dispensers in the
schools. The income received from this source would
have to be secured some other way

Securing the support of the coach or teacher on getting
children to eat the proper foods.

Bi-Annual County Committee Meeting

Representatives of the Greenlee and Graham County Councils met with the State Leader and home demonstration agent in October and made final selection of lessons and activities for the 1955 program. Selections made by their County Councils were considered and followed in making final decisions.

The following lessons were chosen for the 1955 program:

CLOTHING

"Individual Styling"
"Decorative Stitches and Trims"
"Cleaning and Adjusting the Sewing Machine"

FOODS and NUTRITION

"Menus for the Entire Family"
"Shopping to Save"

HOME FURNISHINGS

"Renovation of Furniture" (Particular phase to be determined)

HOME MANAGEMENT

"How To Keep Home Accounts"
"Laundry Methods and Equipment" (follow-up lesson)

HEALTH

"First Aids in the Home"

Work of the Home Demonstration Agent

The home demonstration agent recorded the suggestions of things the ladies wanted included in each lesson. This information will be used in planning, so that each lesson will be built around the interest and needs of the home-makers.

The home demonstration agent arranged the lessons and activities for each month and organized the lesson content. Copies of this material were sent to the state office with requests for specialist help.

Work of the State Leader

Miss Jean Stewart, State Leader of Home Economics Extension Service, met with the County Council in September and the Bi-County Committee in October and assisted them in thinking through the needs and interest of homemakers and in selecting lessons that would meet some of these needs.

The State Leader discussed the final program with the home demonstration agent and assisted in arranging it into months.

The State Leader set up the schedule for specialist help in Greenlee County.

IV. INFORMATION PROGRAM

Newspapers

Six weekly columns "For Homemakers" was prepared during October and November by the home demonstration agent and sent to the Greenlee County Copper Era - a weekly newspaper.

Timely, up-to-date information of interest and value to homemakers was included in the home demonstration agent's column - "For Homemakers". A schedule of activities and news items were also included.

THE COPPER ERA

MORENCI LEADER and DUNCAN VALLEY NEWS

SECTION TWO

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1954

PAGE ONE

FOR HOMEMAKERS

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A thorough clean-up before Thanksgiving Day is good insurance against loss of life, property, and time. A few hours spent now in cleaning out hazards may save time during your busy day.

A primary safety rule emphasized by the National Safety Council is—"A place for everything and everything in its place." A recent Council study of hospitalized home accident cases showed that the largest single cause of injuries, other than poor judgment, was disorder. In fact, disorder was responsible for putting one out of every five accident victims in the hospital.

Remove trash accumulations such as papers, rags and rubbish, scattered boxes and boards that may have accumulated from basement to attic. Medicines, drugs, and insecticides should be clearly labeled and kept out of the reach of children.

Check through the kitchen, the stairs, and other places where things may accumulate to be stepped on or fallen over.

Play safe don't wear your fluffy garments in the kitchen. A fussy fabric—one that's knitted with a brushed-up nap and has air spaces around the lightweight fibers—burn more readily than a closely woven fabric.

Different fabrics burn differently. Wool fabric will smolder but seldom flame. Rayon or cotton material which hasn't been treated for fire-resistance is more of a fire hazard than other fabrics. It will flame and continue to do so until put out. Acetate garments also will blaze up. Nylon, orlon and dacron will melt rather than flame when they come too close to excessive heat. This means that they are ignited more slowly, however a person wearing a garment of one of these materials is likely to be burned by the hot, glassy beads which form when the fabric melts. You can't make sure that a particular garment won't burn unless the manufacturer's label says so. But remember, play safe by keeping the fluffy and fuzzy fabrics out of the kitchen.

The development of synthetic fibers has been a boon to the woman who dislikes pressing, even after laundering. Frequently however, a lovely garment has literally melted away because of incorrect pressing.

Pressing combines the effects of heat, moisture and pressure on a fabric. The amount of each required depends on the fiber content and the construction of the fabric. The most satisfactory method of determining the amounts of each of these elements needed for an individual fabric is to experiment on a small piece, or on the edge of a wide seam.

The temperature control on most irons gives indications for rayon, wool, cotton and linen. The "rayon" setting on all but the newest irons is comparable to the acetate temperature given in the following table. Until 1952, acetate was classified as rayon but now the term "rayon" on a label refers to viscose and Bemberg, only, and these fibers may be ironed at a cotton setting. The temperature control on most irons is 180 to 550 degrees F.

Press fabrics at these temperatures:

Dynel, 200 degrees F.
Acetate, 250 degrees F.
Nylon, dacron, orlon, acrilan and vicara, 275-325 degrees F.
Silk, 350-325 degrees F.
Light weight cotton and rayon, 400-450 degrees F.

Wool pressing, 450-500 degrees F.
Heavy cotton, rayon and linen, 500-550 degrees F.

A steam iron should be used cautiously on the synthetic fibers. Inasmuch as dynel has a very low melting point (250 degrees F.) a steam iron should never be used on this fiber.

Blended fabrics made of one or more of the synthetic fibers and a natural fiber complicate the heat control problem. Many of the wool blends require very little pressing, but the greater the wool content, the more pressing required. A steam iron or a dry iron and a damp pressing cloth can be used for this pressing. The general rule to follow when pressing the blends is to keep the iron setting suitable for the fiber that requires the lowest temperature. However, when using a damp pressing cloth and a dry iron, the moisture in the cloth will quickly reduce the temperature. Wool fabrics and wool blends shouldn't be pressed until they are completely dry.

If you use an electric extension cord when you're working around machinery or in damp locations, be sure the cord has a substantial rubber covering that's free of breaks.

If you're doing a lot of home sewing, you'll find that a small magnet is a handy gadget to have around to pick up the pins and needles you drop.

Before cutting material that ravel easily, try marking around the pattern with a wax crayon. By cutting on the line you've made, the material won't ravel.

Cut buttonholes without any worries. Put a small piece of mending tissue between two thicknesses of material and press them with a hot iron. Then cut out the buttonholes.

Paprika is the secret for a mouth-watering, golden brown crust that makes fried, chicken look so tempting. Mix paprika for its color, and salt and pepper for the seasoning with the flour you use to roll the chicken in, and use enough of the paprika to give the crust a good color. Fry the chicken slowly. This allows the crust to brown crisply without scorching. I also like to use a dash of paprika over the surface of steak and roasts.

For quick defrosting of frozen food, place in a plastic bag and hold under water. Flavor and juices are retained this way.

A piece of apple in a brown sugar jar will keep the sugar from drying out and lumping.

This fall's big offering of walnuts, almonds, filberts, and dried prunes plus more dates than usual suggest fruit cookies and fruit cakes. A tasty sandwich filling which the children will like can

be made from ground (cooked) prunes and nuts with a bit of salad dressing. A small amount of sugar may be desired if it wasn't added while the prunes cooked.

Leave vegetables and macaroni underdone for freezing. If cooked well done, these foods are likely to be too soft when reheated.

Try Yummy Balls for a Dinner

Treat This Week: To make them, take one pound of ground beef, ½ pound of ground lean pork, one small minced onion, ½ cup of uncooked rice, one can of condensed tomato soup, ½ cup of cracker crumbs, one lightly beaten egg, and salt and pepper. Mix these ingredients together and shape into balls about the size of golf balls. Pile them into a well oiled casserole. Then pour tomato soup that has been thinned with a little water over the meat balls. Bake them in the oven for one hour at 375 degrees F. This makes about eight servings.

Results

Homemakers have indicated their interest in material in the column. Questions have been asked and requests for bulletins made as an outgrowth of the column.

Radio

The home demonstration agent hasn't as yet participated in the Greenlee County Extension Radio Program. However, residents of Greenlee County have tuned in for her program from the Graham County Station in Safford.

V. PROJECTS

A. Food Preservation and Storage

The home demonstration agent gave the lesson "Making Your Freezer Work For You" to homemakers attending the meetings of the four extension homemakers clubs. Two of the clubs held a joint meeting.

In this lesson the home demonstration agent followed the plan set up for the leader training meeting in Greenlee County. Information on the principles of freezing; selection and use of wrapping materials and containers; preparation of fruits, vegetables, and meat for freezing; and freezer storage was given. A chart showing growth of bacteria and enzymes, samples of wrappings and packaging materials, and convenient equipment were used as illustrative materials. During the laboratory period, the ladies had an opportunity to prepare various foods - eggs, corn on the cob, chili peppers, avacados, apples, and hamburger for freezing. Types of foods used during the laboratory period varied with the groups. One group didn't have a laboratory period since they weren't interested in providing facilities for this lesson. Extension bulletins on freezing, meat, chicken, fruits, and vegetables were distributed.

Mrs. Elsie Morris, Food Specialist, University of Arizona, assisted the home demonstration agent in planning for the lesson on freezing foods.

The home demonstration agent included information on freezing foods and a recipe for preparing turkey a la king which can be frozen as a use of left-over turkey in her weekly newspaper columns and radio talks.

Results Achieved

The ladies attending the meeting have a better understanding -

- (1) Suitable wrappings and containers to use and how to use them in freezing.
- (2) Principles involved in the freezing of foods.

- (3) That it is more economical to keep a freezer full
- (4) To plan their freezer contents so they can keep it full of the most important foods.

B. Food Selection and Preparation

The home demonstration agent included information on selection, buying, and preparing turkeys and cranberries in her weekly newspaper column and radio talk.

After the county fair she included information on points considered by the judge while rating the food exhibits. She suggested that the ladies use this information as a guide in evaluating their own exhibits and in making their exhibits for the 1955 fair.

Three homemakers planned for, arranged, and supervised the foods exhibits during the county fair. One of the ladies served as department superintendent.

The home demonstration agent from Coconino-Yavapi Counties was the judge of the food exhibits at the fair.

The home demonstration agent attended the county fair. No assistance was given with the food exhibits. Time was used in meeting people, since she had just come to the county a few days before.

Results Achieved

Homemakers clipped the score guides from the home demonstration agent's column to be used as a guide in preparing their food entries for the 1955 county fair.

C. Safety

The home demonstration agent included information on home safety in her newspaper column and urged homemakers to be especially careful to avoid accidents during the holiday season.

D. Clothing and Textiles

Better Dress Project

Miss Helen Church, Clothing Specialist, University of Arizona, conducted four leader training meetings on "Better Dresses" September - November. During the four sessions each lady selected materials and patterns, altered their patterns, and made a dress for best wear. Construction processes, alteration on patterns, and fitting were demonstrated and explained.

The home demonstration agent assisted in collecting equipment and helping with the third and fourth sessions of the Better Dress project after she came to the county.

The home demonstration agent gave a talk on "Guides to Well-Designed Clothes" for the members of the Morenci Garden Club.

County Fair

Homemakers in this county entered garments and household arts and crafts in the home economics exhibits during the county fair.

Four homemakers planned for the Clothing and Household Arts exhibits, arranged the displays, and supervised them during the county fair. One of the ladies served as department superintendent.

The home demonstration agent assisted with the arranging and taking down of the displays.

The home demonstration agent from Pinal County judged the articles entered for exhibit at the county fair.

Results Achieved

Fourteen leaders attended the training meetings on "Better Dresses". Seven of the ladies attended all four sessions. Four others were absent only once - and then because of illness. In addition to the fourteen, five other ladies came only to the first session and therefore didn't complete the series of lessons.

Ten of the fourteen leaders completing the Better Dress project were from the homemakers extension clubs (three were also 4-H Club leaders), and the other four were from church groups - two from the Latter Day Saints, one from the Baptist Church, and one from a local sewing club.

Seven of the leaders are helping forty other ladies in six groups with the making of better dresses. The other seven leaders will start their classes after Christmas.

Information on the number of garments completed so far in this project are not available. The fourteen leaders have completed their garments. Further information will be included in next years annual narrative report.

Homemakers clipped the article on points considered by the fair judge from the home demonstration agent's column. They plan to use this information as a guide in preparing their exhibits for the 1955 fair. It is the hope of the home demonstration agent that this information will help raise standards.

E. Recreation and Community Life

The day and half reported by the home demonstration agent was used in preparation of material for her newspaper column.

VI. OUTLOOK

The home demonstration agent will participate in an occasional radio program from the Greenlee County Station as soon as plans can be worked out and set up.

Interest in assistance and information through the extension service should increase through the use of the county newspaper, radio, and contact with the people.

A great deal of interest is being shown in making better use of home freezers by homemakers - in keeping the freezers filled and in the freezing of foods.

Plans are being made to hold a revue of garments made in the "Better Dresses" project as soon as all classes have completed their garments. This will probably be in the early spring.

The three 4-H Club leaders who attended the Better Dresses training meetings will be able to give their 4-H clothing girls better and more assistance with their 4-H garments this coming year.

Homemakers will have an opportunity to gain assistance through the 1955 program -

- (1) In selecting clothes which will be more becoming to them as an individual
- (2) In planning, selecting, and making decorative stitches and trims
- (3) In putting their sewing machine in a good working condition and in keeping it in that condition
- (4) In planning menus to meet the needs of each member of their family
- (5) In making their food dollar go farther through better planning, selecting, and buying of foods
- (6) In making their homes more attractive and making use of things they already have - (renovation of furniture)
- (7) In knowing where their money goes through keeping home accounts

- (8) In learning time-saving and economical laundry methods
- (9) In understanding how and when to administer first aid.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the County Homemaker's Council hold a third meeting in January or February for the purpose of:
 - (a) Getting better acquainted with each other, with their program, and with the home demonstration agent.
 - (b) Discussing the program and assist in planning for carrying it out in the county.
 - (c) Understanding their program of work and feeling a greater responsibility and part as a county leader.
2. That an effort be made to help the club officers and leaders assume responsibility for getting their reports into the office in time for the information given to be used in the monthly reports.
3. That long time goals and program plans be made as well as those for the current year, so that:
 - (a) Extension work can be continuous
 - (b) Program lessons and activities follow through from year to year until that phase desired by the homemakers be completed and thus avoid repetition or loss of meeting time to review background and principles involved which had been covered two or three years before.

For example: The club that wasn't interested in having the freezing lesson because they felt they had had it found that there were several things they didn't know about when the home demonstration agent gave the lesson on "Making Your Freezer Work For You".
 - (c) That lesson titles from past years (at least the last five) be considered while planning the new program, and thus try to avoid the feeling by some homemakers that they "had had the new lesson" recently.
4. That a lesson on preparation and cooked foods be included in the program as soon as possible.
5. That a 5-year plan be developed for continuing the renovation of furniture, with a lesson in each year's program until all phases have been covered.

SUMMARY of the 4-H CLUB REPORT

Greenlee County

COUNTY SITUATION

There are 10 recognized communities in Greenlee County.

Other youth groups in the county besides 4-H Clubs included Scouts, Future Farmers, Future Homemakers, church, and Campfire organizations.

Community life and recreation centered in the schools and churches. All schools have good gymnasium and team equipment. The town of Duncan carried on a supervised summer recreational program. There are three town libraries sponsored by the Women's Clubs. There is one mine owned hospital in one town. There is one weekly newspaper and one radio station with limited coverage from the county seat town.

Leadership is a problem of great importance. It is difficult to find people willing to give the time and effort to this work.

Farming, cattle raising, and mining are the three important industries. Geographically, the county is divided into areas of three interests - northern part is cattle ranching country, central part is strictly mining, and the southern area is the farming territory.

EXTENSION ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING

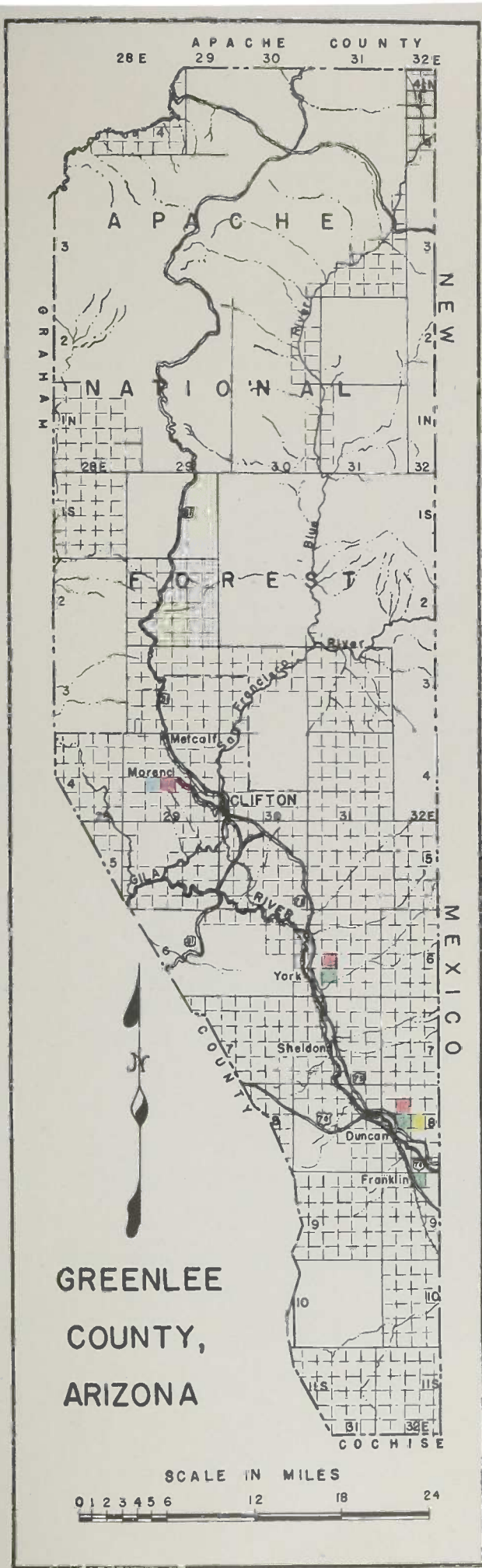
Eight clubs were organized for 4-H work in the fall of 1953 in communities and completed their work in September, 1954.

Three clubs in three communities carried home economics 4-H project work, three clubs carried agriculture projects, one club carried the electric project, and members in one club carried both agriculture and home economics projects.

64 girls and 54 boys were enrolled in 100 home economics projects and 106 agriculture projects.

Two home economics clubs were sponsored by the Extension Homemakers Clubs and one by the Duncan Woman's Club.

Six women and five men supervised and directed the project work and activities in the eight clubs as 4-H adult leaders. Eight girls and five boys assisted as junior leaders.



4-H CLUBS

- Agriculture
- Home Economics
- Mixed
- Electric

The Duncan boys and girls clubs held separate meetings. The two Morenci clubs held joint meetings once each month, with one Saturday meeting for clothing project work, and one night meeting on home furnishing. The York club of boys and girls met together for business and activities each month. Separate project meetings were held for each group.

The county agent and home demonstration agent assisted with the first organization and reorganization meetings and in the planning of the clubs' program.

Programs were planned and written plans set up early in the club year to include activities - health, safety, recreation, and community service as well as work on projects.

Year around club work provided each member with the opportunity of gaining more experience and the clubs to have a larger and better program.

Training Meetings

An Officers Training Meeting was held in January for all 4-H Club officers and leaders. During the general session the home demonstration agent discussed program planning followed by the planning of a mock program. Officers were divided into groups for training on their duties and responsibilities. The county agent gave assistance to the presidents and vice presidents; one club leader (a past home demonstration agent) gave training to the secretaries and treasurers; a local reporter for the Greenlee County newspaper assisted the reporters; and the home demonstration agent worked with the recreation and music chairmen. The groups were brought together for a model club meeting with the Franklin Club in charge.

The home demonstration agent and county agent gave specific training to the boys and girls chosen to represent the county at the State 4-H Round-up.

A meeting of all Junior Leaders was held early in the club year. Duties, responsibilities, and place for junior leaders in the club program were discussed.

Adult leaders were given project training by club groups and by the home demonstration agent when she visited their homes.

Agriculture leaders required very little extra training due to previous experience with the 4-H program. The county agent assisted leaders individually as needed.

Leaders Meet

A county organization for leaders was set up during the year. Officers were elected:

President - Mrs. Stanley Coon, Duncan Wildkitten Club
Vice President - Easton Frazier, York Cowboys
Secretary-Treasurer - Mrs. Flora Munkres, Morenci 4-H Stars
Reporter - Judy Clothier, Junior Leader, Duncan Wildkittens

It is the desire that this organization will reach all leaders for better training and service.

County Activities

County activities were planned and held throughout the year - a picnic-party in late August, a recreational achievement program in November.

19 leaders and members met with the two county agents and planned for the county's participation during National 4-H Club Week.

Two county displays of club work were set up - one in Duncan and the other in Morenci. Leaders and members in the two areas worked together in planning and setting up the displays. Pictures of each club and project materials were displayed.

One radio program was given during National 4-H Club Week. Representatives of the clubs in the county were interviewed by the county agent.

Posters and newspaper articles were displayed and published during that week.

Three agricultural clubs and one home economics club observed National 4-H Sunday by participating in services of their church.

April 26 a Home Economics Demonstration Contest was held in Duncan with 14 entries. 6 individual and team demonstrations were selected to participate in the State 4-H Round-up.

April 27 Home Economics Judging Contests and Dress Revue were held in York with 16 entries.

Agriculture Judging Sessions were held throughout the year. Two demonstrations and 4 judging teams were chosen to attend the State Round-up.

Almost 100% of the club members exhibited their projects at the County Fair. The best of the blue ribbon exhibits were sent to the State Fair.

State Activities

State Round-up was held on the campus of the University of Arizona.

8 girls and 3 boys represented the county by participating in the home economics contests. They won 4 blue, one red, and two white ribbons.

4 girls and 16 boys represented the county by participating in the agricultural contests. They won 4 blue, 9 red, and 4 white ribbons.

State Leadership Conference was held at Flagstaff, August 24-28. One home economics and two agricultural junior leaders attended the conference. The trip was sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Foundation. Training was given in organization and project methods. An opportunity was given to exchange ideas with leaders from other counties.

4-H Club Camp for 4-H club members living in counties in southern and eastern Arizona was held on Mt. Lemmon. 3 girls, 2 boys, and the county agent attended the camp from Greenlee County.

State Fair Exhibits : 11 home economics articles were sent to the Arizona State Fair for judging and exhibit. 3 blue, 3 red, and 5 white ribbons were received on these exhibits.

One agriculture member received 176 blue ribbons on his poultry and sheep exhibits. One girl won awards on her poultry.

National Honors

Dwain Gale, from the Franklin Farmers 4-H Club, received a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago on his poultry projects and records as a club member.

PROJECT WORK

Clothing

43 girls were enrolled in clothing projects.

9 of the 15 girls enrolled in 1st year clothing projects completed their work.

10 of the 13 girls enrolled in 2nd year clothing completed their work.

3 of the 13 girls enrolled in 3rd year clothing completed.

1 of the 2 girls enrolled in advanced clothing completed.

88 articles and 92 garments were made.

Leaders were given project training by club groups and by the home demonstration agent when she visited their home.

Leaders of clothing projects were invited to the Homemaker's Extension Club meetings for the lesson "4-H Club Seams and Finishes". This lesson included illustrative material and progressive steps in all 4-H clothing work. Kits of illustrative material were loaned to leaders to use during their club meetings.

Foods

29 (19 girls and 10) boys were enrolled in foods projects - 20 in first year foods, 6 in second year, 2 in third year, and 1 in advanced.

14 (4 boys and 10 girls) enrolled completed their food projects - 7 in first year, 4 second year and 2 third year.

287 products were prepared, and 89 meals were planned and served.

2 of the 3 girls enrolled in preserving foods by freezing completed their project work. 50 pounds and 30 quarts of foods were frozen.

23 girls, their leaders, and the home demonstration agent visited the Safford Packing Plant and home at the Agricultural Experiment Farm near Safford.

Room Improvement

17 girls enrolled in first year room improvement projects. 45 articles were made and 6 rooms improved.

23 girls, their leaders, and the home demonstration agent visited the home at the Agricultural Experimental Farm near Safford. After showing the girls through the house and showing them the storage and organization of work units, the hostess served refreshments.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The two clubs in Morenci cooperated on a Christmas basket project. The boys gathered and repaired toys; the girls dressed dolls. Local residents cooperated by giving old toys.

The following is an example of newspaper publicity given to the project -

Morenci 4-H Club To Collect Toys

The Morenci Blue Jacket 4-H Club met at the Scott home for their regular meeting, Saturday, March 6 at 9:30 a.m. Skipper Allen was elected to represent the club on the National 4-H Club Week broadcast, and will go to Clifton Tuesday afternoon to help make the transcription. The club decided to buy a scrapbook to keep a record of club activities.

After the short meeting, the members went to Rietz's Morenci Store where they assisted in arranging the window display for National 4-H Club Week.

As a community activity, the club is collecting used toys, books and clothing to be used in the Christmas welfare project in Morenci. Toys will be repaired and painted, and some new toys will be made during the club year as part of the handicraft work. Contact members of the Blue Jackets 4-H Club if you have any toys which may be used to make some needy child happy at Christmas. The members will call at your home for the toys. Members of the girls' club plan to dress the dolls collected by the boys' club.

This is the club of boys which carried both home economics and agriculture projects. Their leader is a member of the Clifton Homemakers Extension Club.

The Franklin Club cleaned the local cemetery.

The Duncan boys and girls started a project creating a picnic ground. Space was set aside at the county fair grounds by the fair commission. The grounds were cleared and picnic tables built. This is a long range project. Plans are being completed to landscape the area this coming year.

The York boys and girls cooperated with the Extension Homemakers Club in their project of remodeling an old barn and furnishing it for a community club house. Work will continue during 1955.

OUTLOOK

All of last years clubs have completed their reorganization and started work on their projects.

There are prospects for some new home economics clubs if leaders can be found.

The county organization of leaders will be of great assistance in helping the agents to know what is needed and to plan with (rather than for) the leaders.

Through the experienced, interested leaders, the club program should move forward during 1955.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That more work be done with group leader training.

That more supervision be given to the work done by junior leaders.

That a greater effort be made to have every boy and girl complete their club work. This effort should be made throughout the year. A follow-up should be made on each club member who is absent or indifferent and, if possible, the cause found and corrected.

That greater effort be made to encourage club members - particularly the younger members.

That young members be encouraged to carry only one project so they won't become discouraged and tired of the work, and will have time for more fun and activity through their club work.

That effort be continued to gain the interest and cooperation of parents and people in the communities.

That greater effort be made to develop a balance in the 4-H Club program.

That clubs be encouraged to include some recreation - music, games, or an active activity - in each club meeting.